

THRUSTS AT MR. NICOLL.

THE NEW MARKET INVESTIGATION.

INTIMATING THAT HE MIGHT FIND WITNESSES

IN HIS TRIED HARD—TESTIMONY OF THE DAY.

The continued absence of ex-Assemblyman Daniel E. Finn, John Tubbs, the hackman, the Pattersons, William Callahan, Michael Moloney and some other witnesses in the New West Washington Market investigation, gave De Lancey Nicoll the opportunity to interlard the proceedings yesterday with frequent inquiries as to whether these men had put in an appearance yet. Assistant Corporation Counsel Wickes asked if any of these persons had been subpoenaed, and on receiving a negative reply protested that Mr. Nicoll's loud call for them was not made in good faith. The absence of Richard D. Brown, the produce merchant, Mr. Nicoll wants sent to prison for alleged false swearing in connection with the erasure discovered in Brown's expense book where "barrels, \$75." is said to have been written over "boddy, \$75." was commented on unfavorably to the account both by Mr. Nicoll and Commissioner Holahan. Forman Davidson, Brown's bookkeeper, also kept away, although several subpoenas had been sent after him, but William R. Wilder, Brown's counsel, gave an uncertain sort of promise that both the dealer and his bookkeeper should be present on Monday.

The best-known witness yesterday was ex-Warden Thomas P. Walsh, to whom Controller Myers had given three stands in the new market, in which "Fatty," as he is called, has opened a restaurant. When Mr. Nicoll asked Mr. Walsh if he was not the County Democracy leader of the II Assembly District, De Lancey objected, but the question was allowed. Mr. Wickes said he did not understand what was meant by "leader." There were no "leaders" in his district to his knowledge. He finally admitted that he was "chairman of the organization in the district." Mr. Walsh's application was put in evidence and proved to be endorsed by ex-Assemblyman Finn, Police Justice M. J. Power and William C. Conran, all prominent County Democracy men. Mr. Walsh, however, firmly disclaimed the idea that political influence had anything to do with his getting stands. His extended and unskilled career as a reputable citizen was the cause of his success. After some questions regarding his experience as a restaurant-keeper, the witness was turned over to the Haytians, and they refused to remain by her in the Haytian service.

Consul Julia's brother is said to be the Haytian Consul at Samana, and it was for that port that the Carondelet got her clearance with her cargo of Parrot guns, rifles, ammunition and other munitions of war. That vessel is now under libel, upon evidence presented by the Haytian Minister that the cargo was purchased for the account of the Haytian insurgents under General Legitime. Leonidas Julia, the Consul for San Domingo, through his counsel, Macfarland, Boardman & Platt, filed an answer yesterday in the suit for the confiscation of the Carondelet and her cargo begun by District-Attorney Walker in the United States District Court. The answer simply denies the truth of the allegations of the complaint filed by the Government as to the cargo of the vessel. C. H. Mallory & Co., the owners of the steamer, filed a similar answer as to the liability of the vessel to forfeiture. The trial of the suit will begin this morning before Judge Addison Brown, in the United States District Court.

"Was he disguised?" asked Mr. Wickes.

"No."

"He look frightened, as though in fear of Mr. Nicoll's subpoena-servers."

"No, sir."

"Would it surprise you to learn that Mr. Nicoll has been trying to find him very hard?"

"It would surprise me if he couldn't find him."

M. H. Boyle, a resident of Hoboken, who had secured two stands, admitted that he had deceived Mr. McAdam into the belief that he lived in New-York. He said that he was a friend of his named Frank Farrell, a liquor-dealer at Sixth-ave. and Thirty-first-st., who introduced him to a Mr. McMahon. McMahon then accompanied him to the Controller's office and vouched for Boyle as a genuine New Yorker. The Mr. McMahon gave him the permit for his stand. A few more questions revealed the fact that the Mr. McMahon spoke of the proprietor of the notorious "Haymarket" in Sixth-ave.

James Donnelly, of No. 223 East Thirteenth-st., who said that he was a detailed laborer in the Public Works Department, gave testimony regarding a stand held in his wife's name. He said that the stand was occupied rent-free by a friend and neighbor of his. The witness was unable to give his friend's name, but subsequently read from a card which he took from his pocket the name of Frederick Hazlitt, and said that that was the name of his friend's the present tenant of the stand.

It was decided at the close of the session to send fresh subpoenas to the missing witness, Mr. Nicoll furnishing the names of twenty-five more he wishes to examine. Mr. Nicoll again asked to be allowed to go through the private letters received by his troller from people of note here for stands for their friends. Consul Holahan decided that they were privileged communications. The hearing was adjourned to Monday at 10 a.m. when it is said that Mayor cresceas Cleveland, of Jersey City, will come forward and tell all he knows.

ARGUING FOR A CHANGE OF VENUE.

COLONEL FELLOWS SAYS HE IS EAGER TO HAVE THE CASES TRIED—NEXT WILL COME KERR AND RICHMOND.

Argument was heard by Justice O'Brien in the Supreme Court Chambers, yesterday, on a motion for a change of venue for the third trial of Arthur J. McQuade, of boddy fame. His counsel, Richard S. Newcombe, maintained that it was impossible to find a jury to try the case in New-York City. The defendant's affidavit set forth that only half-four of the 7,377 jurors called in boddy cases had been found qualified. Mr. Newcombe reviewed the circumstances of the previous trials, and said that McQuade had been in Sing Sing twenty months before a regular was obtained in his case, and that this had so affected his health that he was unable to bear the strain of a trial so protracted as must be had if the case were tried here. District-Attorney Fellows did not oppose the motion, but, on the contrary, said:

"The education of this community is such that, under the ruling of the Court of Appeals, they are excluded from sitting in this case. I do not see to be justified in keeping up the experiment of trying to get a jury here. I believe that in the interests of justice a change of venue is an absolute necessity. We cannot get a jury here without such a great expenditure of time and money as to make such trials seem farcical. Were the people permitted to move for a change of venue, I should feel it a high official obligation to make this motion myself." He suggested that some county other than Broome be selected. The Judge reserved his decision. It will be handed down by Monday. The District-Attorney will next move for the trials of Kerr and Richmond.

CUTTING UP THE POLO GROUNDS.

WHERE WILL THE NEW-YORK BALL CLUB PLAY NEXT SUMMER?

The Polo Grounds, where so many famous baseball battles have been fought, presented a desolate appearance yesterday. There was a six-foot gap in the centre of the Fifth-ave. end of the fence, and a gang of men, under James Mutch, was working on the fence at the other end of the grounds. They got to work early in the day, cutting a hole of about fifteen feet diameter in the Sixth-ave. fence, and Inspector McGinnis, of the Board of Encumbrances, was there to see that the work was carried out. Surveyors have decided that the club-house used by the Giants will have to be torn down or moved. The house projects about four feet in the line of the proposed street. Nothing was done with it yesterday, but Mutch said that the club-house would be put on rollers to-day and moved back about eight feet. The stables of James Rohr extend over the proposed street about twenty feet. They were not molested yesterday.

Mutch said yesterday that he thought, in case the club was forced to move, it would play during the coming season at Oakland Park, Jersey City. The cutting of One-hundred-and-eleventh-st. through the grounds was informally discussed at a recent meeting of the Park Commissioners. They consider that the taking of the matter to the Court of Appeals will enable the New-York Club to hold on to the grounds at least for the coming summer. John B. Day, the president of the club, started for the South at an early hour yesterday. He had little to say about the matter and did not seem to be especially worried about it.

At the place where the fence was removed on Thursday there was a ravishing ditch yesterday. A person walking along the sidewalk at that point at night might get an ugly fall. Nothing has been put up to guard against mishaps to pedestrians.

A WEEKLY REVIEW OF THE COUNTRY'S TRADE.

The business failures in the last week, as reported by R. G. Dunn & Co. of the Mercantile Agency, were 273 in the United States and 303 in Canada, a total of 503, against 302 in the preceding week and 250 in the corresponding week last year. In their weekly review of trade, Messrs. Dunn & Co. say:

WOOL MARKETS.

LONDON, Feb. 8.—The bidding sales to-day were a strong

bidding was very animated. The attendance at the auction rooms was large, and the sales were very brisk. The gross value of goods sold was £1,000,000. These were offered to day 16,000 bales. The latest price paid was £100 per bale.

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